The Intelligencer.

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"I have not heard from him, but I will be greatly surprised if he allows his name to be presented to the convention. It is too hopeless a contest. The Republicans have all the advan tages. Their majorities are principally in the towns where a full role can be brought out in the short time at their disposal, while the Democra-tic strength lies in sections which cannot be ther-

"Then you regard a Republican triumph as

a foregone conclusion ?"
"Yes, 1 do."—Hon. Ross J. Alexander, in Intelligencer interview December 14.

THE House met but parted. It looks as though the Christmas egg nogg is still flowing, sweetly flowing.

THE year is closing well for Councilmen Two of them have recently been elected by the Council to executive positions.

2,382 West Virginia boys and girls "played hookey" last year; 10,327 of them were not spoilt by the sparing of the rod. If the youngsters will not turn over a new leaf the teachers will probably consider it their patriotic duty to turn over mor

THE Senate having passed the civil sen vice reform bill, it is time for the able mite and blow up that honorable body The Democracy hopes to get into power and it wants to turn on the hose when "it gets there. Something is always happen

PERMANS the esteemed Domocratic schem en who have been setting on the eggs a colored Democratic contingent in West Virginia can think of some other scheme to make up for desertions. Their attemp to gather in the colored convention was a failure about as droll as it was dismal.

In response to inquiries it is timely to state that the old Sixteenth and the new Seventeenth district of Ohio are indentica in territory. The old was, and the new is, composed of the counties of Belmont Guernsey, Harrison, Jefferson and Noble The redistricting changed this district only in name-left it with its five splendid counties and its handsome Republican

sent. He insists that it is his right to appoint his successor as Controller of Philadelphia, and the Republican City Council. insist on exercising the right which the City Solicitor says the law gives them. Mr. Pattison seems disposed to clean up whatever is lying around loose-by way of making the Democratic victory complete

THOSE Southern "colonels" are very handy with the pistol. Another has dropped his man, and, fortunately for the mur derer, the offense was committed in Kenfor the practice of the murderer's art. The Governor of Kentucky has said that he will pardon as many convicts as he pleases and if this gallant colonel should be landed friends, he will not tarry long in the house of bondage. The expiation of his crime on the gallows is hardly to be thought of.

Ox Saturday next-only two days hence name candidates for Mayor, City Sergeant pon the decision of the Secretary may decompel. Republicans owe it to themselves and to the people to place in the field the best material they can command. This will not be done by chance. The best men in each ward must select those whom they think worthy of their support—and support them at the primaries with the vigor of hard work and the convincing to the same transmission of the Secretary may depend the title to the same transmission of the Secretary may depend to the title to the same transmission of the Secretary may depend to the transmission of the Secretary may depend to the transmission of the Secretary may depend the title to the same kind will have to be issued and this will open the way to endless litigation in the Courts between the present occupants of these farms, who obtained the title to their lands under an error of the State law, and the new claimants who would base their titles upon the Virginia force of numbers. There must be concert will not come up to the popular demand. The good men must do what the bad men do-combine-or the evil influences wil

WHATEVER may have been the hope of the Democratic schemers who have been trying to "work" the colored vote in West colored men who met here, vesterday, in ture the colored vote, or some considerable part of it, the convention took occasion to make a profession of Republican faith which is full and explicit. Why should a colored man be a Democrat? Why should he help the party which has always bindered him—kept him in the bondage of body and mind wherever and as long as it could? What has it to offer him above the Espublican party? Democrats have been busy telling him that he ought to have office. They don't give it to him where they have the power, and, what is of vastly more moment, they don't give his children a chance to get a common school education. It is no libel on that party to say that where it can it denies the colored man every right which belongs to him as a man, a citizen and a voter. Were it suits its purpose it clubs him from the polls or shoots him down with his Republican ballot ln his hand. Yet this is the "noble old party" which talks to the colored voter about office. The Republican party has given him follec, too, and very high office. If it has not placed in public employment every colored and who has asked it, it must be rememwhich is full and explicit. Why should a colored man be a Democrat? Why should man who has asked it, it must be remen bered that several hundred thousand white offices won't co around. It may be that colored men have been neglected for less competent and less deserving white men but it must not be forgotten that there can not be exact justice to every man in the distribution of office; and, morever, that distribution of office; and, morever, that there still remains some of that prejudice considered, representing about \$2,000,000 to the fostering of which the Democratic party, through so many years of ascendancy, devoted its greatest energy and finest talents.

The Spanish-American Claims Commissione beaten, and had to be carried off the ground series and in casting the sixth series and in casting the success of the company. The commissioner on Agriculture has prepared a revised table showing the grain production for theyear ending December lat, was as follows: Corn, 1,635,000,000 tunhels; oats, it is suicide is attributed to dript. but it must not be forgotten that there can

WASHINGTON NEWS.

ald to be Derided Upon-Difference of Opinion as to the Time the Two-Cent Postage Act Should Take Effect-A Celebrated Ohio

hall be reappointed Postmaster at Wheeling to succeed himself. His present term will not expire until about the 20th of January.

POSTOFFICES ADOLLSHED, have been abolished: Cushing, Braxton which was to counteract the decline which

to two cents per half onnce, as soon as practicable, he does not think it advisable that such a reduction should take place until January 1st, 1834, provided for in the appropriation bill as it passed the House. There are several reasons why this reduction should not take effect until January 1, 1884, among which are by retaining the three cent rate until that time one-half of the fiscal year will have passed, and the profits for that half year will offset the reduction for the next half, and prevent a deficiency. The increased business resulting from the reduced rate of postage will probably have assumed such proportions by the expiration of the fiscal year that Carring the following year no deliciency will occur and a sudden change of postage will prevent the public and post-masters from year-ways. The increase of the fiscal year will offset will be considered the proportions by the expiration of the fiscal year that Carring the following year no deliciency will occur and a sudden change of postage will prevent the public and post-masters from year-ways. The proportion will be proportion to the public and post-masters from year-ways. postage will prevent the public and post-masters from working off the three cent stamps now in their possession, which would otherwise throw a vast increase of work upon the department in redeeming the same and adjusting postmasters' ac-

will probably pass by February 1st, which being literally baked. would give the Department five months to prepare for it and readjust the salaries of fourth-class Postmasters so that they would not lose anything by the reduced cancellation of postage stamps. As for the supply of three cent stamps, that Mr. Hazen stated it would be proper to redeem, they could be used for excess of postage over the half ounce the same as six cent stamps are now used, thus getting rid of them without destroying or redeeming them; and that there need be no new two cent stamps issued. There is one in existence now, and the dies will not be changed or a new one be made. The Senator is decidedly of the opinion that his views will be accepted by the Senate, and that the amendment to give us the two cent postage on July 1st next will pass that body. If it does this it is very probable that the House will accept the amendment.

The Wallace McKinley Contest.

Columbus, December 27.—Wallace, who is contesting Maj. McKinley's seat in the sext in ext congress, from the Eighteenth district of this State, was here to-day and oblet that district at the late election. He says he will serve a notice of contest on McKinley next week. While here he had a long consultation with Hon. Geo. L.Contest on the congress of the says of prepare for it and readjust the salaries of

OHIO LAND CASES.

WASHINGTON, December 27 .- Secretary argument on the application of Jeremiah Hall for a land patent based upon a Virginia military warrant of location in Ohio. Although in this particular case there are only 150 acres of land involved, still it is a very important one, for the reason that would base their titles upon the Virginia Military warrant location and the Secre-tary's decision. Hall argued on his own behalf and ex-Representative Shellabarger of Ohio, and Judge Lawrence represented

A Western Congressman's Account o His Early Experience.

Washington, December 27.—A Western Congressman was recently discussing with friend the necessity for the passage of versation turned upon the selection of country postmasters, and certain trials to black River Falls, Wis., exploded yester-which the pending bill offers no remedy. The Congressman was reminded of his first official experience in that line, which was as follows: the Pendleton Civil Service bill. The conwas as follows:
"I had hardly reached Washington," he

CAPITAL CULLINGS.

James M. Skaggs has been come ostmaster at Hughart, W. Va. A postoffice has been established at Dan-iels, Raleigh county, W. Va., and Joel S. Lewis appointed pastmaster. The Spanish-American Claims Commis-

470,000,000 hushels; barley, 45,000,000 bushels; rice, 2,000,000 bushels; buckwheat, 12,000,000 bushels. Total, 2,697,000,000 bushels.

bushela.

Auong the patents issued yesterday were two to West Virginians, as follows To James P. Wintz, of Charleston, for a tubular drill for boring artesian wells, and to William M. Talley, of Hampton, for a uninner area.

From our Special Correspondent

Washington, December 27.—It can be stated on the authority of one of the officials at the Postoffice Department that

DON'T PAN OUT.

The Failure of the New Forest County Oil Field. TITUSVILLE, PA. December 27.—The action of the oil trade has lately been directed The following West Virginia Postoflices to Forest county as the coming oil field have been abolished: Cushing, Braxton county, mail will hereafter be sent to Stort's Mills, Gilmer county, the Rock, Mercer county, mail to Riverside, and Trout Valley, Greenbrier county, mail to Williamsburg.

TWO CENT POSTAGE.

Arguments For and Against an Early, Date for the Reduction.
From Our Special Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, December 27.—General Hazen, Third Assistant Postmaster General stated to-day, in answer to an interrogatory, that while he has, and does favor a reduction of postage on first-class matter to two cents per half ounce, as soon as practicable, he does not think it advisable well well adapointment to its owners and a great disappointment to its owners and a gr

suburbs of the cit,y on horseback, turned on the oil and, not noticing that the lamp

would otherwise throw a vast increase of work upon the department in redeeming the same and adjusting postmasters accounts.

Senator Plumb, however, in an interview this evening stated that, in his opinion, a deficiency, if it will occur, might just as well come first as last, and that the bill will be a work of the filmes. O'Neil was burned from the face to his kness the films burned from the face to his kness the films.

The Wallace-McKinley Contest.

NEW YORK, December 27 .- A Paris dis patch says: "The Marquis DeLeuville, who recently created some stir in New York and Newport fashionable circles, and who was charged with being an adven-turer with a bogus title, has returned here and is preparing for publication a volume on 'Aristocratic America.'"

Run On a Bank.

ROCHESTER. December 27.-A run wa ommenced to-day on the Monroe county those withdrawing their deposits are wo. men of the lower classes, who have small deposits. Well-to-do citizens are deposit-ing. The Bank is able to meet all de-

BRIEF TELEGRAMS.

Three cow

Henry C. Kiesel, City Treasurer of Tuc-

on, Arizona, is missing; also \$3,100 of the

A party of Buffalo capitalists have pur-chased 150,000 acres of land in Southern Missouri, which they intend selling again to actual settlers. The police of Trenton, N. J., report tha Jacob and Wm. Rusk drowned themselves in the canal there to escape arrest on a charge of stabbing Officer Jarvis Saturday

Charles Peterson, a Swede, was arrested esterday, at Cornwall, Pa., for enteri emptying a kettle of boiling water over two with a club.

with a ciub.

Late Tuesday night Charley Branch,
negro who ravished and murdered a 9 yea
old girl near Varner Station, Arkansas, or
the Little Rock & Mississippi Ratiway, wa
taken from the guards by an armed mol
and hanged to a telegraph pole.

During a fight in Stables' grocery Owane

During a fight in Staples' grocery, Owens-boro, Ky., Christmas night, between a man named Norris and a negro, James Mont-Montgomery in the abdomen, can dogth yesterday.

death yesterday.

In convequence of the high price of oats the three out mills owned by Douglas, Stuart & Forest, located in Cedar Rapids, In, Chicago and Oregon, Ills., using in the aggregate 20,000 bushels of oats per day, will be shut down till the market assumes a more favorable aspect.

more payorable aspect.

A report from Lewis county, Ky., says
Col. Crawford shot and killed Pent Lyons
Monday, on Cabin creek, at Fulley's store.
Both were drunk and quarrelled about a
girl. Next day Crawford's friends enabled
him to escape at the examining court, to
mount a horse and ride away.

mount a horse and ride away.

Reisenhausen and Gilson, who fought a prize fight mear Roohester, Pa., last week, which was declared a draw, fought again vecterday, at New Castle, Pa., for \$50. On the twentieth round filson failed to come up, and Reisenhausen was declared the winner. Both men were terribly beaten, and had to be carried off the ground "The motion for an injunction against the payment of any dividend on the \$15,526,500 of the capital stock, being so much of the stock thereof as was distributed in the stock dividend in question is granted, and in other respects the motion is denied."

In the suit of Rufus Hatch against the same company, in which a motion was made for a renewal of the original injunction obtained several years ago, Judge Arnoux also rendered a decision granting the motion for the renewal of the injunction. the motion for the renewal of the injunc-tion against the declaration of a dividend

PIG IRON INTERESTS. PROTECTIVE ASSOCIATION FORMED

y the Tariff Commission reduced to \$5, and here is a very good prospect of its success,

inless the most vigorous efforts are put orth to prevent it. The committee named

uestion of legislation, and the meeting ad-ourned before 5 o'clock, after a session of

A NICE SCHEME,

Tourist Who Wanted Congenial Co

ays: Within the past fortnight an adver-

tisement to the following effect was pub-

lished in this city: "A gentleman of

means, who is going on a shooting expedi-

ions who will join him, Advertiser knows

the best hunting and fishing grounds, and

has good dogs. Address, etc." A doctor

living in Fourth street having decided

upon taking a short vacation, and being

fond of sport, replied to the advertisement

In the course of a day or two the "gentle

man of means" called upon him. The

VENTERNUNION AND THE COURTS

in Injunction that Falled to "Injunct," NEW YORK, December 27,—In the suit high was heard yesterday brought by

Villiam D. Williams, against the Western

Inion Telegraph Company and its direct

ors, to restrain the company from paying

lividends on \$38,000,000 of its capital

tock, which it was claimed was illegally

his decision in the Supreme Court, special

and concluded as follows:

ess than two hours.

By the Manufacturers at Pittsburgh Testerday.

Artion Taken by the Meeting—The Western
Union and the Courta—Why a Tourist
to Florida Manied a Companion.

Special Dispatch to the intelligencer.
Pittsburket, Pa., December 27...—The meeting of the blast furnace men, which was called about two weeks ago for the formation of a National Protective Association, was held this afternoon at the Monongahela House. There were about fifteen gentlemen present, all representing Western Pennsylvania and Eastern Ohio furnaces. J. J. Spearman was called to the chair and Wesley Wilson acted as Sections.

By the Resident and the protected for the proceedings on the other side may be looked for.

The Commercial says: A reporter called this afternoon at the office of the Western Union Telegraph Company and saw the faw officers, who said: "We have been asked to make a motion before the Court of Appeals. The argument of this motion will doubtless take place to-morrow. With regard to the enjoining of company against the payment of capital stock, it was said the payment of the dividend began as soon as it was excluded to the court intending to grant an injunction to prevent such payment. The payments who was the court and Wesley Wilson acted as Sections. to prevent such payment. The payments began about December 13th, and by this time nineteen-twentieths of the amount began about December 18th, and by this time nineteen-twentieths of the amount has been paid. It would, therefore, be now very difficult to select from the whole capital of \$80,000,000 the precise \$15,526,590 against the payment of which the Company has been enjoined. When the dividend has been declared, a specific day for its payment is mentioned for the convenience of book keeping, but it had yet to be learned that there was any law to prevent money being paid at once if convenient as soon as it had been declared. The declaration of a dividend sets aside a certain portion of surplus earnings to be number of firms which had received circu-All expressed their hearty approval of the scheme, and their willingness to co-operate with it. Among the writers were firms in Eastern Pennsylvania; Western Ohio, Michigan and other Western States. After thereading of the letters a discussion took place. All agreed that it was necessary to form an organization, and a motion to that effect was carried unanimously. A committee consisting of C. N. Schmick, of Leetonia, Onio; W. H. Wallace, of Stenbenville; and A. B. Cornell, of Youngstown, Onio; was appointed to draft a form of constitution and by-laws and report at the next meeting, which will be held on the afternoon of Thursday, January 14th, and at the same place. The names of the Chairman, J. J. Spearman, and J. D. Weeks were afterwards added to the committee. After this had been disposed of the Tariff Commission was incidentally touched on. The committee of three, who were sent to scheme, and their willingness to co-operate certain portion of surplus earnings to be paid to stockholders, and when so declared paid to stockholders, and when so declared cannot be used in any other way by the company, but belongs to the individual stockholders. Its payment to them, therefore, is only placing in their hands what is legitimately their own, and if a specific day is mentioned the object is to fix a time by which the money shall be so transferred, but does not compel the company to hold it in their hands until that specified period. The payment of dividends in advance of the specified day is, therefore, nothing new, as can be easily shown in court if necessary. mission was incidentally touched on. The committee of three, who were sent to Washington by the last meeting reported that it would require hard work to maintain a fair duty on pig iron. It appears that notwithstanding the fact that this branch of the iron business has more capital invested than any other, there is great danger that the free trade element will succeed in having the duty lowered. The opinion was expressed by one gentleman, who is thoroughly posted on affairs in Washington, that an effort will be made in the Ways and Means Committee to have the duty of 50 per ton that is recommended by the Tariff Commission reduced to \$5, and there is a very good prospect of its success,

A Serious Drouth in Northwesters Pennsylvania.

her proceedings on the other side may b

weather and light rains of last week arous relieved in Northwestern Pennsylvania out the ground did not thaw deep enough the surface. In McKean, Warren, Venan go, Butler and Clarton counties over 1,800 oil wells are shut down from want of water

oil wells are shut down from want of water. The mills operated by water power stand idle. Live stock in many places has to be driven for several miles to water. All the small streams are nearly dry and frozen solid, and the larger ones are lower than for years, with heavy ice. People in many instances are compelled to carry water for domestic purposes long distances, and it is then impure and hardly fit to use. Discase is being generated from this cause. The lumberme were prevented from running out over half a million dollars worth of lumber by having no high water last fall, and half of this material is locked in the ice-bound streams, in the form of rafts and streams is being shipped by rail, at double the cost of rafting it out. As a consequence of these drawbacks money is scarce in the

No Truth in the Story That He Win

ing man, faultlessly dressed and evidently as closed his account at his bank prepara well educated. He wore a full beard, and tory to his departure for Europe to-day, weighed, probably, about 180 pounds. He did not mention his name, but sent in the doctor's letteras his sole introduction. The doctor received him in his consulting and a reporter meeting him as he wa bout leaving the bank asked him what "You are the gentleman who replied to swindled out of \$3,000 by bunco men. He my advertisement?" said the stranger.
"Yes. I should like to join you in making a sporting trip to Florida, but I should like to know first what the expedition will ngenious people in the world. I ssure you there is nothing what-ever in it, and I cannot imagine how it "Ah! you are a man of means?" asked the visitor. The doctor smelt a rat, and promptly give his questioner to understand that dollars were of no particular consequence to him, whereupon the stranger smiled blandly, and said: "But after all, the expense need not trouble you. I propose to start before the new year, and, if you feel inclined to make a cool couple of thousand between this and then, you can do so." "Ah! you are a man of means?" asked the risitor. The doctor smelt a rat, and iromptly give his questioner to understand hat dollars were of no particular consequence to him, whereupon the stranger miled blandly, and said: "But after all, he expense need not trouble you. I so the continued to make a cool couple of housand between this and then, you can lo so." "That would exactly suit me," remarked he doctor, defly playing his fish.

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LOOKING FORWARD TO 1881.

"That would exactly suit me," remarked the doctor, defity playing his fish.
"You play poker, of course?" asked the "gentleman of means."
"Pretty well," replied the doctor.
"Then the whole thing is perfectly simple Have you a pack of cards?"
Half a pack of cards was produced, and the visitor at once proceeded to show his skill as a card-sharper. He dealt three hands, giving the doctor four kings and an ace, and he next drew out, at the doctor's command, any eard which was called for. He was undoubtedly an exceedingly accomplished swindler. "Now," he continued, "I have a wealthy friend—a millionaire. He practically supports me, and naturally it would be bad policy on my part to appear to win his money. He has an establishment on a largescale in Florida. If you join me, we shall shay at his house there, but meantime he is in New York—you understand? We can make a thousand or two o't of him before we start, if you will assist me. You are my friend, I give you at hor two o't of him before we start, if you will assist me. You are my friend, I give you at the or two. Edimunds and Wilson Agreed on By a Conference of Politicians. Cincago, December 27.—Leading Repub lican politicians and officeholders of this State had a conference here a few evenings since, the proceedings of which are only this morning made known. The object o the conference was to settle upon a candidate for the next Presidency. The names of Conkling, Blaine, Arthur, Winnames of Conkling, Blaine, Arthur, Windom, Grant and Logan were discussed, as was also the name of Robert Lincoln, but it was thought he would be stronger in a later campaign. The conference finally agreed that Senator Edmunds, of Vermont, and James Wilson, of Iowa, for President and Vice President, would make the best ticket that could be nominated. The conference looked upon McDonald, of Indiana, as the most probable nominee of the Democrats for President. sand or two out of him before we start, if you will assist me. You are my friend, I give you a tip or two. We three play poker, I always deal you kings and aces, and, finally, we will divide the spoils."

"A grand ideal" ejaculated the doctor, but he smiled a sage smile, and told the "gentleman of means" that, after all, he thought he wouldn't take a hand in the game. The visitor, evidently somewhat surprised, then took his departure. The secondrel's plan probably was to get the doctor to play with him and some of his confederates, and then to fleece him. The man is no doubt still in this city endeavoring to find people to "accompany him to Florida."

Fire Record.

FAIRTELD, ME., December 27 .- The main building of the Somerset Fibre Company burned this morning. A huge digester heated by the flames exploded, throwing

Macon, Ga., December 27.—English MACON, U.A., December 27.—English & Huguein's warehouse, containing 2,256 bales of cotton, and a large amount of guano, was burned early this morning. The grozery of Henry & Sheurwood was also consumed: Loss, \$110,000; insurance

East Liverpool Labor Troubles. PITTSBURGH, December 27.— There has been no further trouble at East Liverpool, Ohio. Master workman Rankin, of Knight's of Labor denies the report that tock, which it was claimed was illegally sued, Judge Arnoux to-day rendered the substantial summer of the supreme Court, special erm. He exhaustively reviewed the case and concluded as follows:

"The motion for an injunction against he payment of any dividend on the \$15, the payment of any dividend on the \$15, the payment of any dividend on the \$15, the stock thereal as was distributed in the stock thereal as was a summer of the law, the striking Potters became disorderly,

New HAVEN, CONS., December 28 .- Chief Justice Park has decided that the black ballots used by the Democrats in the city election are illegal and void. This decision gives the entire municipal government to and infamous, and some of these letters the Republicans.

upon the stock specified. Notice of the in-junction has been served upon the cou-pany to-day, but its effect is merely point-NEVER forget to take Manalin for Torpidity of the Liver, Constipation, or other irregu-

nal, reaching a few small holdings, as having money in the treasury, the company had already paid the dividend as on other occasions. As this is part of a scheme to influence the stock it is claimed that fur-

CIVIL SERVICE REFORM

PASSAGE OF THE PENDLETON BILL

By the Senate Last Evening by a Vole of Thirtysine to Five—The Amendments Adopted.

Salient Ventures of the Last Day's

Debate on the Reform Measure.

From Our Special Correspondent.

Washington, December 27.—The Senate
at seven o'clock to-night by a vote of 39 to
the deform bill. The five voting against it
were all Democrate, as follows: Brown,
Call, Jonas, McPherson and Morgan,
Quite a number of Senators were
who was paired with absentees. Voorhees
who was paired with bound to vote square
the opportunity he wanted to vote square

make a quorum. The vote by which the bill was passed was only five more than a quorum. Had the Senate been full there would have been more Democratic votes against it, but every Republican would have voted for it, because long ago it was decided in a Republican caucus to support it and pass it. The debate to-day on the bill was prosy save with the exception of a vizorous speech by Beck denouncing the bill as a sham and a fraud. The bill will be sent to the House on Saturday next and will come up for consideration some time in January. DETAILS OF THE DEBATE

on the Civil Service Bill-The Amend-

on the Civil Service Bill—The Amend-ments Adopted.

Washington, D. C., December 27.—After the transaction of some unimportant business the Senate resumed consideration of the civil service bill, the discussion being on the amendment relating to political assistow an enul growth and building prossion are the amendment relating to political assistow an enul growth and building prossion and the amendment relating to political assistow an enul growth and building prossion and the state of the civil service bill, the discussion being probably \$20,000,000. The suburban towns are the amendment relating to the civil service bill, the discussion being the civil service bill the civil service bill the civil service bill the civil service bill the civil service bill, the discussion being the civil service bill the civil service bill the civil service bill, the discussion being the civil service bill, the civil service bill the civil service bill the civil service bill, the civil service bill the civil se the civil service bill, the discussion being on the amendment relating to political associations are under the suburban lowns on the amendment relating to political sessements. Senator Hawley in reply to senator Beck, said that gentleman (Beck) had been challenged emphatically to produce one person who had been removed from office for failing or refusing to make a political contribution in the last campaign. Syracus, December 27.—Anna O'Brien Political contribution in the last campaign. notitical contribution in the last campaign.
No such person has been produced, but if
it should turn out that any person had
been dismissed on that account he hoped
the officer who dismissed him would receive
us severe punishment as the law would peras severe punishment as the law would permit, as well as the contempt of the American people. The object at which his (Hawley's) amendment aimed was the prevention of exactions from employes of the Government and it was drawn carefully with that object in view. A proposition to go beyond this and provide that no clerk, after earning and receiving his salary, should spend a dollar of it for any political purpose in which he could not support. Senator Vest said any provision of law which did not absolutely prohibit employes of the Government from paying money for political purposes would be anulity. He sgain offered in another form his amendment, which was rejected Sat-

his amendment, which was rejected Sat-urday, but it was defeated by a vote of 18 Senator Blair offered the following as an additional clause: "No person habitually using intoxicating beverages shall be ap-

ions of this act are applicable."

pointed to or retained in any office, busi-

ness or employment to which the provi-

Brown moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "beverage" the words, "to excess." Agreed to.

Elair spoke briefly in support of his amendment. He thought it entirely relevant to the bill proposing to regulate the admission to public service, and much more important and philosophical than the proposal to distribute public appointments among the States according to population.

among the States according to population.

Edmunds said the amendment as it stood contained the legal implication that other vices were to be excluded from consideration by the Civil Service Committee. To cure this defect he moved to insert after "intoxicating beverages" the words, "or is guilty of any other immoral hubit." (Laughter).

After some discussion the amendment was agreed to—ayes, 32; noes, 16.

Hawley moved to reconsider the vote. It was a supplement of the contained of the containe

A BLOW AT NEPOTISM.
Plumb offered an additional section

which was adopted, providing that when Notes Jotted Down white Strolling two or more members of families are in the public service in grades covered by this

public service in grades covered by this act no other members of such family shall be eligible to appointment in such grades. The bill having been considered in the committee of the whole was reported to the Senate, and all the amendments adopted in the committee were agreed to except the one offered by Mr. Blair, in relation to the use of intoxicating liquors. Mr. Bayard asked for a separate vote on this, which he regarded as unnecessary, tyrannical and likely to give the whole reform movement to which the bill related an air of insincerity. Mr. Blair assured an air of insincerity. Mr. Blair assured Mr. Bayard that he had proposed the amendment in all sincerity and carnest-

On motion of Mr. Hawley, the words or guilty of any other immoral conduct," nserted in Mr. Blair's amendment on Mr. Edmund's motion, were stricken out. The amendment thus amended was adopted,

Edmund's motion, were stricken out. The amendment thus amended was adopted, 32 to 9. Those who voted in the negative were: Messrs. Bayard, Call, Chilcott, Davis, of W. Va., Jonas, Lamar, Pendleton, Pugh and Vance.

Mr. Morgan offered an additional section providing that no recommendation of any person who shall apply for office or place under the provisions of an act which may be given by any Senator incumber of the House of Representatives except as to the character of the applicant shall be received or considered by the person concerned in making the examination or appointment under this act. Agreed to, ayes 26, noes 16. After some further debate on the merits of the bill itwas passed, yeas 35, nays 5 all the Senators present, except five palm, yoting in the affirmative except Brown, Call, Jones, McPherson and Morgan. Mr. Brown moved to amend the title of the bills on as to make it read, "An act to perpetuate in office Republicans who now control the pattronage of the Government [Laughter.] Lost.

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THE UNIONTOWN TRAGEDY. The Excitement Over the Killing of Capt, Nutt Unabated,

tee to prevent political assessi

Uniontown, December 2:.-The excitenent over the shooting of Capt. Nutt is unabated, and the feeling against Dukes is intense and it would require but slight agitation to cause a lawless outbreak. Nev developements show that aspersions against the character of Captain daughter in Dukes' letter were shameful

will be produced when Dukes' trial comes

COLORED CONVENTION EDUCATION THE NEED OF THE RACE

Chicago's New Buildings

of buildings was only twice as great as in

covered by structures was less than twice

water. Her mother went to the rescue

lost her footing, and also fell in. Both were drowned. The father discovered the

Along the Levee.

The C. W. Batchelor will leave this morning for Pittsburgh, and the Diurnal for Parkersburg.

The H. M. Graham passed down with a

tow of United States Government barges.
The Monitor passed down with coal.

A million of dollars expended on the ice
barbor at Marietta, will not, it is claimed,
make it as good as the Farkersburg harbor is
now.

up with empty coar bonts.

And Organization the Way to Secure It-The Faith of the Freedmen Not Shaten in the Party of Progress and Liberty.

The State Convention of the colored voters of the State of West Virginia called by Mr. George T. Jones, Chairman of the Executive Committee appointed by the Clarksburg Convention, met in McLain's Hall, Market street, yesterday forenoon a ten o'clock, and was called to order by Mr.

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A committee was appointed on permanent organization, consisting of George W. Hollinger, G. W. Palmer and Scott Jones; a committee on resolutions, composed of Charles Ankruin, Dr. B. H. Stillyard and H. B. Clements; a committee on credentials, of which the members were R. N. Strange, W. D. Forney and Ed. Anderson.

The Convention then adjourned till 2:30 c'clock P. M., at which time it was again called to order by the Chairman, and opened with prayer by Rev. B. Wheeler.

The following permanent officers were reported by the committee: President, George T. Jones, of Weston; Secretary, George W. Hollinger, of Wheeling, Trearport was adopted and the officers declared duly constituted.

The committee on credentials also reported briefly, and the committee on resolutions presented their report, which was the past year in this city was never ex-ceeded, except in 1872, the year succeed-

ing the great fire. Even then the amount utions presented their report, which was

intions presented their report, which was taken up and acted upon by clauses. The first resolution settled the mischievous rumors concerning the objects of the convention. It was:

He is Resolved by the members of this Convention, That up to this time we, the colored people of West Virginia, have seen nothing in the past of the Republican party to shake off or disturb our faith in the grandeur of its principles or the worthiness of its claims upon our support in the future. And be it further Resolved, That we do not believe its mission is ended, nor will it be ended until the color of a man's skin ceases forever to be a standard of his manhood in certain sections of our country.

The subject of education received a large share of the attention of the Convention, and the following resolution on this head was adopted:

were drowned. The father discovered the bodies when he returned from work in the

control emintren in such districts as have an insufficient number of children to establish separate schools under the exist-ing laws of the State, and are left without the means of securing the right of every American citizen, a common school educa-tion.

WHEREAS, There are unfair discrimina-tions in matters pertaining to the education of the children of the two races in districts where there are not a sufficient number of colored children of school age to entitle them to a separate school under existing provisions of the law, and whereas we pay taxes as other citizens for the superard

iaxes as other citizens for the support of free schools, therefore be it Resolved, That we petition the Legislature of the State to inake provision for their education, and that where no separate school is established we demand that colored children be admitted to the white school nearest their residence. And be it further Resolved, That we recommend the establishment of a permanent fund, to be raised by voluntary contributions from colored citizens, to pay the expenses of litigation necessary to procure our legal rights in this matter.

The reports as to the political scheme behind this convention again received attentions as collows;

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class.

A resolution demanding the recognition of the rights of the race as jurors by the Legislature was also adopted, and the con-

now.

The river tell about six inches yesterday, the marks last evening indicating a depth of 8 feet 7 inches. There was very little ice floating, and business was lively all day.

The Katie Stockdale, in tow of the John Wood, en route for Pittsburg in a disabled condition, while trying to affect a landing at Huntington last Tuesday night, had her wheel torn to pieces by the ice.

The regular Wheeling, Moundsylle, and Freusurer was also required to give bond in the sum of \$500.

The Chairman, on motion appointed the following State executive committee: Scott Jones, of Lewis county; G. W. Hollinger, H. B. Clemens and Robert Strange, of Ohio; Charles Ankrum, of Harrison.

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This committee was instructed to meet
at Charleston, August 1, 1883, and after
some other business the Convention ad-The regular Wheeling, Moundsville and Powhatan packet C. Y. Lucas now leave daily at 3 P. M. Capt, J. G. Morris is master The Lucas bias fair to become a very popular packet in this trade.

Captain J. R. King has put a new buoy on the sunken canal boat at Parkersburg bridge, where the Emma Graham struck. It is in the Ohio span, looy yards from the Ohio shore, and 260 yards from the railroad bridge. Ille says boats had better run the Virginian span, or they will have trouble, as there is but three feet of water on the boat.

Gray's Iron Line took advantage. but three feet of water on the boat.

Gray's Iron Line took advantage of the rise and sent out the Iron Duke on Tuesday with eight barges of rails and one freight for New Orleans; also the Ironsides, for Johnsville, on the Tennesee river, with three barges of rails and two barges of miscellaneous freight for St. Louis. The resolute was also sent out with model barges. The three steamers, with their tows, were loading nails yesterday from the Riverside, LaBelle and Belmont mills. lenjamin, "The Cosmopolitan Lawyer, oet and Editor."

The Guessing Context for the Watch, at the Star Chofting More.

The announcement made through the columns of the News-Letter, Sunday last, by D. Gundling & Co., the enterprising proprietors of the Star clothing house, that they would give a valuable watch to the person guessing the number or coming nearest the number engraved upon the works of the watch, has been the means of creating great excitment among all classes. The watch to be contested for has been placed in the hands of Mr. Joseph Jefferson, teller of the Bank of the Ohio Valley, the number of whiche is known only to him. A book in which guessers are required to enter their names and numbers is now open at the Star. No money is asked for a chance. No purchase of goods is necessary. All that is required is that you go there, put your name upon the list and any number you tany choose opposite it. The book will romain open until the Sist of January, 1883, when the person guessing the number or Cohing the nearest the one engraved on the works of Consumption Cured,

An old physician, retired from practice having had placed in his hands by an East india naissionary the formula of a simple vegetable remedy for the speedy and permanent cure of Consumption, Bronchitis, Catarrh, Astima, and all Throatand Lung Affections, also a positive and radical cure for Nervous Debility and Nervous Complaints, after having tested its wonderful curative powers in thousands of cases, has felt it his duty to make it known to his suffering fellows. Actuated by this motive and a desire to relieve human feeling, I will spend free of charge to all who desire it, this recipe, in German, French or English, with full directions for preparing and using. Sent by mail by addressing with stamp, naming this paper, W. A. Noyes, 149 Power's Block, Rochester, N. Y.

on,
In his evidence before the Coroner's Kitchen Specialties—Cincinnati and New Kitchen Specialties—Cincinnati and New Kitchen Specialties—Cincinnati and New Kitchen Specialties—Cincinnati and York, Circulars free.

Pirisburgh December 27.—River 5 feet : inches and falling. Weather cloudy and mild.

and the following resolution on this head was adopted:

Winzacas, The condition of our public schools in the city and elsewhere are controlled by officers elected by the people, therefore he it

Recolved, That we as a people will endorse and advocate the election of the nominee whom we believe to be most desirable for our interests.

our interests.

The name "Colored Men's Co-operative

A Bishop Simpson made his first appearance in Lancaster, Pa., one Sanday morning very unexpectedly to himself and the "people called Methodists" of that city. His home was in Pittsburgh. He was traveling over the Pennsylvania railroad to Philadelphia, and a breakdown detained him over Sunday in Lancaster. After breakfast he saunlered out to find a Methodist Church, and walking up Duke street, he met a good Methodist, the late Mr. Carpenter McCleery, who engaged the Bishop in conversation. Dr. Simpson was plainly dressed, and looked anything than a Bishon is commonly supposed to look. Brother McCleery judged from his conversation that he was a local preacher, and the good bishop did not enlighten him to the contrary. The preacher in charge of the Duke Street Methodist Episcopal church finally arrived, and the bishop was introduced to him as "Brother Simpson, a local preacher of the Pittsburgh conference. After considerable persansion, the bishop was prevalled upon to preach. What disappointment was visible upon the faces of that congregation that morning. They expected to be bored by a "country clodhopper." The bishop gave out the opening hymn and then prayed. Those who thought they were going to be bored began to think differently, and when the bishop announced his text, "The greatest of all is charity," expectation was on tip-toe. A grander, more eloquent, more feeling discourse was never delivered in that church. As the bishop surpson, and, upon concluding the sermon, the preacher inmediately turned, faced the congregation and said: "You have had the extreme pleasure of listening to Bishop Simpson." The bishop's modest and naive reply was: "They call me so at home." The preacher immediately turned, faced the congregation and said: "You have had the extreme pleasure of listening to Bishop Simpson. The name "Colored Men's Co-operative Reunion of the State of West Virginia" was chosen as the style of the organization. The subject of education again came up after an interval, and after some very interesting discussion the expression of the Convention was framed as follows:

Recoved, That we, the colored citizens of West Virginia do most earnestly pray that the Legislature of the State enact a law providing some means for the education of colored children in such districts as have an insufficient number of children to

axes as other citizens for the support of

attentions as ollows:
WHEREAS, Malicious reports have been circulated that this present assembly was called in the interest of an Independent Democratic movement of the colored citizens of West Virginia, be it **Ikroolved**, That such reports were intended to work to our injury, and came from the enemies of our people.
Resolved, That we are all Republicans after the order of Charles Sumher, Abraham Lincoln and other noble men of their

Legislature was also adopted, and the convention took a recess until S o'clock.

In the evening a motion that each colored citizen of the Slate be requested to pay ten cents per month into the treasury for the contingent fund to pay expenses of necessary litigation, prevailed. The State Treasurer was also required to give bond in the sum of \$500.

packet in this trade.

The Courier left at 11:30 a. m., for Parkersburg. The Abner O'Neal resumed her trips between Steubenville and this point. The Princess and Little Anna ran yesterday in their respective trades. The C. Y. Lucas left at 3:30 r. n. for Powhatan.

some other business the Convention adjourned.

This evening a "Demonstration" will be made at Washington Hall, of which the following is a programme:

Music, cornet, organ and other instruments, ted by P. Bell; Address of Welcome, F. W. Wright; Song, Arion Glee Club; Reason is Law, Professor J. R. Clifford; Chorus, Arion Glee Club; Reason is Law, Professor J. R. Clifford; Chorus, Arion Glee Club; State Politics, George T. Jones, Chairman State Committee; Instrumental Selection; Prosperity of the Race, R. N. Strange; Song, Arion Glee Club; Review, Geo. W. Welcome, editor of The Times; Duett, Members of the Club; Oration by R. C. O. Benjamin, "The Cosmopolitan Lawyer, Berneral Edition."

Docton bills are not needed in Kidney and iver affections, as Peruna and Manalin cure

The Guessing Contest for the Watch, at